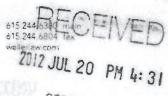
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## VIA E-MAIL and HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Lisa Jackson Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20460

Re: Anderson County, Blount County, and Knox County, Tennessee's Petition for Reconsideration of Final Rule, Air Quality Designations for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards, 77 Fed. Reg. 30,088 (May 21, 2012)

Dear Administrator Jackson:

This firm represents Anderson County, Blount County, and Knox County, Tennessee ("Counties"), and I write on their behalf. The Counties are filing a Petition for Reconsideration of the Final Rule referenced above that designates the Counties as nonattainment under the 2008 ozone NAAQS. A copy of the Petition is attached.

EPA designated the entire Counties of Blount and Knox and part of Anderson County as nonattainment under the 2008 ozone NAAQS. The Counties request that EPA reconsider that designation, and designate the entire Counties attainment for ozone, or alternatively for Blount County, only that portion of the County that lies within the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Thank you for your consideration of the Counties' Petition for Reconsideration.

Very truly yours,

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